# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

Shawnie Vedder, Plaintiff, v.	: : Civil Action No.: :
Credit Acceptance Corporation,	: : DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAI
Defendant.	: : :
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### **COMPLAINT & JURY DEMAND**

For this Complaint, Plaintiff, Shawnie Vedder, by undersigned counsel, states as follows:

## **JURISDICTION**

- 1. This action arises out of Defendant's repeated violations of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, 47 U.S.C. § 227, *et seq.* (the "TCPA").
- 2. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b), in that Defendant transacts business in this District and a substantial portion of the acts giving rise to this action occurred in this District.

## **PARTIES**

- 3. Plaintiff, Shawnie Vedder ("Plaintiff"), is an adult individual residing in Shelton, Washington, and is a "person" as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39).
- 4. Defendant Credit Acceptance Corporation ("CAC"), is a Michigan business entity with an address of 25505 West 12 Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan 48034-8316, and is a "person" as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39).

#### **FACTS**

- 5. Within the last year, CAC began calling Plaintiff's cellular telephone, number 360-xxx-3799, in an attempt to reach "Josh Middleton". Plaintiff does not know this individual.
- 6. At all times mentioned herein, CAC called Plaintiff's cellular telephone number using an automatic telephone dialing system ("ATDS" or "predictive dialer") and/or using an artificial or prerecorded voice.
- 7. CAC left prerecorded voicemail messages on Plaintiff's cellular telephone number.
- 8. Plaintiff did not provide her cellular telephone number to CAC and never provided her consent to receive automated calls from CAC.

## COUNT I VIOLATIONS OF THE TCPA -47 U.S.C. § 227, et seq.

- 9. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully stated herein.
- 10. At all times mentioned herein, Defendant called Plaintiff's cellular telephone number using an ATDS or predictive dialer and/or using a prerecorded or artificial voice.
- 11. The telephone number called by Defendant was assigned to a cellular telephone service for which Plaintiff incurs charges pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(1).
- 12. Plaintiff was annoyed, harassed and inconvenienced by Defendant's continued calls.
- 13. The calls from Defendant to Plaintiff were not placed for "emergency purposes" as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 14. Plaintiff is entitled to an award of \$500.00 in statutory damages for each call placed in violation of the TCPA pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B).

15. Plaintiff is entitled to an award of treble damages in an amount up to \$1,500.00 pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B) and 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C).

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiff prays that judgment be entered against Defendant:

- 1. Statutory damages of \$500.00 for each violation determined to be negligent pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B);
- 2. Treble damages for each violation determined to be willful and/or knowing pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C); and
- 3. Such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

#### TRIAL BY JURY DEMANDED ON ALL COUNTS

Dated: December 28, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

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